



**August 23, 2023 UCF Board of Trustees Virtual Meeting**  
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Aug 23, 2023 9:00 AM - 9:30 AM EDT

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**Meeting Details:** <https://ucf.zoom.us/j/91699624851?pwd=YlYvQXdpQ2dKcFNyS2o3SnZXUnlxdz09>,  
(929) 205-6099

**Meeting ID:** 916 9962 4851

**Passcode:** 874420

### Agenda

#### I. Agenda

##### **Call to Order and Welcome**

**9:00 AM**

Presenter: Alex Martins, Chair, UCF Board of Trustees

##### **Roll Call**

**9:01 AM**

Presenter: Lauren Ferguson, Assistant Vice President, Board Relations

##### **Public Comment**

#### II. New Business

**9:03 AM**

Presenter: Chair Martins

##### **A. BOT-1 2023-2024 Linking Industry to Nursing Education (LINE) Fund Proposal**

Presenters: Michael D. Johnson, Provost and Executive Vice President for Academic Affairs, Mary Lou Sole, Dean and Professor, UCF College of Nursing

#### III. Adjournment

Presenter: Chair Martins



# Board of Trustees

August 23, 2023

## Agenda Item

BOT-1 | 2023-2024 Linking Industry to Nursing Education (LINE) Fund Proposal

## Proposed Board Action

Approve the UCF 2023-2024 LINE Fund proposal as proposed.

## Authority for Board of Trustees Action

Florida Statute 1009.8962, Linking Industry to Nursing Education (LINE) Fund.

## Supporting Documentation Included

Attachment A: 2023-2024 LINE Fund Proposal UCF and UCF LAKE NONA HOSPITAL.

## Facilitators/Presenters

Michael D. Johnson, Provost and Executive Vice President for Academic Affairs

Mary Lou Sole, Dean and Professor, UCF College of Nursing



# 2023-2024 Linking Industry to Nursing Education (LINE) Fund Proposal

## EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

### Objective

Consideration of a fiscal year 2023-2024 Linking Industry to Nursing Education (LINE) Fund proposal. This proposal leverages UCF's successful collaboration with HCA Florida Healthcare to address the growing nursing workforce needs at local, regional, and state levels. The Board of Trustees' approval is necessary before the proposal is submitted to the Board of Governors.

### Summary of Key Observations/Recommendations

The LINE Fund was created as a result of the passing of Senate Bill 2524 (2022). The Fund provides matching funds, on a dollar-to-dollar basis, to participating agencies that partner with health care providers as defined in s. 768.38(2), F.S. The 2022 General Appropriations Act collectively provides \$19 million for the LINE Fund.

In early-August 2023, the Board of Governors advised that LINE proposals received to date were not sufficient to spend the funds allocated for the program, and approved receipt of additional proposals.

The Board of Trustees approved two 2023-2024 LINE funding proposals on July 31, 2023 received from AdventHealth and Orlando Health.

If the UCF LAKE NONA HOSPITAL fiscal year 2023-2024 LINE funding proposal is approved, it will result in the following matching funds:

- UCF is requesting \$50,000 to support additional clinical nursing faculty to match \$50,000 committed by UCF LAKE NONA HOSPITAL.

### Rationale

The College of Nursing is leveraging the LINE Fund application to secure matching dollars that would support a key area of focus, Health and Human Performance, in UCF's strategic plan. This proposal will enable UCF to secure additional funding to serve the growing enrollment in our Nursing programs.

### Implementation Plan

The 2023-2024 LINE Fund Proposals will support the mission of the College of Nursing by preparing nurse leaders and patient advocates through excellence in education, research and service. Dean Mary Lou Sole and the college's leadership team will work with nursing leadership from the hospital system to hire additional part-time clinical faculty and will meet at the conclusion of each semester to evaluate the effectiveness of this initiative.

## **Resource Considerations**

Funds pledged for this matching program are provided by UCF Lake Nona Hospital, part of HCA Florida Healthcare.

## **Conclusion**

The proposed LINE Fund proposal will continue to strengthen the partnerships with our local hospital systems and provide rich educational opportunities for UCF nursing students.



**State University System  
2023-2024 Linking Industry to Nursing Education (LINE) Fund  
Proposal Form**

<b>University:</b>	University of Central Florida
<b>Healthcare Partner:</b>	UCF Lake Nona Hospital - HCA Florida Healthcare
<b>Date Proposal Approved by University Board of Trustees:</b>	x/xx/xxxx
<b>Amount Requested:</b>	\$50,000
<b>University Contact (name, title, phone, &amp; email):</b>	Mary Lou Sole, PhD, RN Dean, UCF College of Nursing <a href="mailto:Mary.Sole@ucf.edu">Mary.Sole@ucf.edu</a> , 407-823-5496
<b>Please check the boxes below as appropriate:</b>	<i>All boxes must be checked in order to be eligible to participate.</i>
<b>Healthcare partner making contribution is located in and licensed to operate in Florida?</b>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes
<b>Healthcare partner making contribution is a healthcare provider as defined in Section 768.38(2), Florida Statutes?</b>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes
<b>Nursing programs met or exceeded a first-time NCLEX passage rate of 70% for the prior year based on the 2023 Accountability Plan?</b>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes
<b>The funds will be used for an eligible purpose per section 1009.8962, Florida Statutes?</b>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes

## Background

The LINE Fund is intended to incentivize collaboration between nursing education programs and healthcare partners and to meet local, regional, and state workforce demand by recruiting faculty and clinical preceptors, increasing the capacity of high-quality nursing education programs, and increasing the number of nursing education program graduates who are prepared to enter the workforce. Subject to available funds, for every

dollar contributed to an institution by a healthcare partner, the fund shall provide a dollar-for-dollar match to the participating institution for approved proposals.

**Funds may be used for student scholarships, recruitment of additional faculty, equipment, and simulation centers to advance high-quality nursing education programs throughout the state. Funds may not be used for the construction of new buildings.** To participate, an institution must submit a timely and complete proposal to the Board of Governors for consideration. For more details, see Board of Governors [Regulation 8.008 - Nursing Education](#).

**Proposals must be submitted with a total of no more than three pages of narrative for the following sections.** Proposals with more than three pages of narrative will be rejected.

## **Proposal Details**

*Provide a detailed narrative for each section below.*

**I. Use of Funds** - *Describe in detail and with specificity how the institution plans to use the funds, including how the funds will be utilized to increase student enrollment and program completion.*

Matching funds are requested for a \$50,000 gift provided by UCF Lake Nona Hospital – HCA Florida Healthcare, which will be utilized to hire additional part-time clinical nursing faculty during the 2023-2024 academic year.

The funding will support the equivalent of 0.5 FTE clinical instructor to supervise students at UCF Lake Nona Hospital. This equates to 20 hours per week in the amount \$50,000 during the 2023-2024 academic year.

The matching funds will be used to support a second part time clinical instructor at UCF Lake Nona Hospital, providing a clinical placement for 8 additional students. Secondary to the 2022-2023 PIPELINE funding, we are now placing 200 pre-licensure students annually, so the additional clinical placements are of high need.

**II. Onboarding & Retention of Graduates** - *Describe in detail and with specificity how the health care partner will onboard and retain graduates.*

The clinical instructors will be placed at UCF Lake Nona Hospital to instruct their student cohort. These clinical placements provide the students with the education and training they need to graduate and successfully pass the NCLEX examination.

HCA leadership will have the opportunity to engage with the student cohort led by the clinical instructor.

**III. Program Expansion** - *Describe in detail and with specificity how the funds will expand the institution's nursing education programs to meet local, regional, or state workforce demands. If applicable, include advanced education nursing programs and how the funds will increase the number of faculty and clinical preceptors and planned efforts to utilize the clinical placement process established in Section 14.36, Florida Statutes.*

Through the PIPELINE funds received, UCF is planning to increase undergraduate pre-licensure enrollment by at least 50% within three years. We have increased admissions to the prelicensure program by 100 students each year, resulting in increased enrollment of 200 students (cohorts for years 1 and 2). As we have admitted more students, it is essential to expand clinical partner sites. Highly qualified clinical instructors are needed in order to offer additional clinical sites and provide the necessary clinical experience to prepare students for success after graduation.